HOUSE BILL 1517 By Brown

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-30-208, relative to civil service.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-30-208, is amended by deleting subsections (a) and (b) in their entirety and by substituting instead the following:

- (a) The state service shall be divided into an executive service and a career service.
 - (b) The executive service shall consist of the following:
 - (1) Members of each board, commission, agency and authority and the chief executive officer of each board, commission, agency and authority;
 - (2) The commissioner of each department and one confidential administrative assistant for the commissioner:
 - (3) The deputy commissioner of each department and one confidential administrative assistant for the deputy commissioner;
 - (4) Assistant commissioners within each department; and one confidential administrative assistant for each such assistant commissioner; and
 - (5) All positions in the governor's office.

Within any department, no position shall be designated as a deputy commissioner or assistant commissioner unless actual duties and responsibilities

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necessarily vest the holder of the position with statewide policy-making authority and also require the holder of the position to engage in direct personal consultation with the commissioner on a daily or almost daily basis.

Furthermore, within any department having fewer than five hundred (500) regular full-time employees in state service, there shall be not more than one (1) deputy commissioner and not more than five (5) assistant commissioners; and within any department having five hundred (500) or more regular full-time employees in state service, there shall be not more than one (1) deputy commissioner and not more than eight (8) assistant commissioners.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-30-208, is amended by deleting subsections (d) and (e) in their entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d) All executive orders issued pursuant to this section prior to the effective date of this act are hereby superseded and repealed.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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